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**Draft Unified Development Ordinance Available for Review**

WOODSTOCK – McHenry County is developing a Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) to regulate all aspects of development in unincorporated areas of the County. The UDO will update and combine the County's Zoning, Subdivision, Sign, and miscellaneous development regulations into a single, comprehensive, and consistent set of regulations. The UDO will implement the County's 2030 Comprehensive Plan and Water Resources Action Plan.

The project consultant, Camiros, Ltd, has completed development of its initial draft ordinance, which is available for review on the project website: [www.camiros.com/mchenrycoUDO](http://www.camiros.com/mchenrycoUDO). The draft ordinance is based on consideration of the county's existing rules and procedures and extensive input from County officials and staff along with real estate, agricultural, environmental, and municipal representatives, and property owners.

The County Board Planning and Development Committee has scheduled a series of four meetings with the Zoning Board of Appeals for the purpose of reviewing the draft ordinance. The review meetings are scheduled for:

**Wednesday, September 19**  
**Thursday, September 20**  
**Wednesday, September 26**  
**Thursday, September 27**

**All meetings are from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the County Board Meeting Rooms of the McHenry County Administration Building, 667 Ware Road in Woodstock, IL.**

The public is invited to attend the review meetings. The Planning and Development Committee will accept public comment at the beginning of the meetings in accordance with its normal procedures.

Based on direction from the Planning and Development Committee and Zoning Board of Appeals members, the consultants will prepare a revised ordinance. The revised draft will be released for an informal public review meeting to be conducted in late October or early November. The County will conduct formal public hearing(s) and vote to adopt the Ordinance early next year.

For more information about the UDO project, visit [www.camiros.com/mchenrycoUDO](http://www.camiros.com/mchenrycoUDO).

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